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EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

Only Three more days till Christ-
mas.

The war liars are earning their
wages.

The Germans put a new scar in
Scarborough.

Johnny get your stocking ready.
Thursday night's the time.

Two people were killed and 15 in-
jured in a wreck on the N. C. & St.
L. near Cartersville, Ga.

One hundred lives were lost when
the British sank the Turkish ship,
Messudieh, in the Dardanelles Dec.
14.

A White House baby is expected
this week, as Mrs. Sayre, the pres-
ident's daughter, is about to be vis-
ited by the stork.

The total casualties of English
officers since the war began are:
Killed, 1,058; wounded, 2,071; miss-
ing, 602.

A call has been made for 8,000 or
10,000 interest bearing state war-
rants, including pension warrants
from No. 1 to 471.

Prince Von Buelow, German Am-
bassador to Italy, says the feats of
the German Navy will shortly asto-
nish the world.

A Canadian philanthropist has sent
a half pound cake of maple sugar to
every one of the 50,000 Canadians in
the army and navy of England.

The warring Mexicans have agreed
to withdraw ten or twelve miles
from the border to do their fighting
and Uncle Sam will not have to shoot
into them.

Switzerland is now snowbound
and three divisions of the frontier
guards have been demoralized until
spring, leaving only a small guard
of pickets.

Two French army officers were
killed by an accident to their bi-
plane Saturday. These aviation
fatalities used to attract attention,
but they are hardly noticed now.

The Supreme court of the United
States yesterday ordered Harry K.
Thaw to be tried for conspiracy in
escaping from the asylum Aug. 17,
1913. He is now at Manchester, N.
H.

London women have raised \$40,-
000 to send 500,000 plum puddings
to the British soldiers Christmas
morning. If these attacks from the
inside continue, how is England to
whip Germany?

Japan is said to be willing to send
300,000 soldiers to Europe at an ex-
pense of \$1,500,000 a day, provided
the allies will float the loan. England
is said to be hesitating, the other
allies being willing.

The Louisville Post is running a
two column ad for ten days, calling
upon people holding certain state
warrants to come and get their
money. Most of them who see their
names in the lists will come a-run-
nin'.

Kentucky, with the exception of
four counties, was relieved of the
absolute foot and mouth disease
quarantine yesterday by the De-
partment of Agriculture. The in-
spection safeguard was retained in
Jefferson county.

"Wouldn't it be awful if Christ-
mas should return to the simplicity
of the long ago," said one of the
old timers yesterday. "Then the
average boy got an apple, an orange,
a handful of nuts, three sticks of
striped candy, a candy kiss with a
verse in it, a pack of fire crackers,
a roman candle and a hog bladder
ready to pop. In those days a whole
family could have a merry Christ-
mas on a couple of dollars. Now
when papa gets through shopping,
his pocketbook looks like an elephant
had stepped on it."

GENERAL GETS CREDIT

State and County Authorities
to Go After the "Possum
Hunters."

OF WESTERN KENTUCKY.

Rewards Offered by Governor
for Their Capture and
Conviction.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 21.—With
detailed knowledge of the affairs of
the organization in their possession,
it is understood county and State
authorities are ready to begin con-
certed efforts to get evidence with
which to indict members of the
"Possum Hunters" band in West-
ern Kentucky.

At the request Saturday of Judge
J. F. Gordon, of the Fourth district,
Governor McCreary has offered a re-
ward of \$200 for every "Possum
Hunter" arrested and convicted in
Hopkins and Caldwell counties.

The report has reached Frankfort
that the "General" who organized
the Night Riders in the dark tobac-
co section of Western Kentucky
some six years ago is the head of the
"Possum Hunters."

OWENSBORO WATER CO.

Wins Over The City In a Fed-
eral Court
Suit.

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 21.—The
Owensboro Water Works company
has won the first decision in its suit
filed against the city of Owensboro
in the United States court.

Judge Walter Evans in an opinion
handed down on Thursday in Louis-
ville and received in Owensboro this
morning, sustained the contention of
water company and made perpetual
the injunction granted several weeks
ago, prohibiting the city of Owens-
boro or any of its employees from in-
terfering with its corporate rights
under its franchise to operate its
plant in this city.

The case was argued in Louisville
about one week ago by Messrs. Clar-
ence M. Finn, Capt. W. T. Ellis and
Jas. J. Sweeney, representing the
water company, while arguments for
the city were made by City Attorney
Geo. S. Wilson, Ben D. Ringo and La
Vega Clements.

The suit grew out of the conten-
tion over the proper construction to
be given the ordinance of June 3,
1889, which granted to the Owens-
boro Water Works company, its suc-
cessors and assigns, during the cor-
porate existence of the company, the
right or franchise to use the streets,
alleys and other public ways of the
city, for placing therein service pipes
and water mains.

It was the contention of counsel
for the city that inasmuch as the life
of the old water company was limited
by its articles of incorporation to the
initial period of twenty-five years,
the franchise was limited to the
same duration.

The attorneys for the water com-
pany argued that the general cor-
poration laws of Kentucky gave to
the stockholders the right by appro-
priate proceedings to extend the cor-
porate life by filing amended articles
of incorporation, which was done by
the stockholders of the company on
May 6, 1914. It was also contended
by the water company that the ex-
tension of its corporate life likewise
extended its franchise, and that the
ordinance of June 3, 1889, constitu-
ing an irrevocable and irrevocable
contract, that will continue during
the existence of the company, which
may, in the discretion of the stock-
holders be perpetual.

The decision of Judge Evans came
as a great surprise to City Attorney
Wilson and his associate counsel,
who were very sanguine of winning
the suit.

BATTLE OF WARSAW NEXT BIG MOVE

German Invaders, Advancing On Capital, Are Stubbornly Op-
posed by Reinforced Russian Army.

BRIDGES BURNED BY CZAR'S TROOPS

Two Detachments of Pursuers Practically Annihilated, Fifty
Survivors Being Taken Prisoners. Allies
In West Gain Ground.

London, Dec. 21.—The Germans
advancing on Warsaw over a wide
front between the Vistula and the
Pilicia rivers have reached the new
Russian positions, with the result
that another big battle is in progress.

The Russians retired across the
Bzura, destroying the bridges behind
them. Two German detachments
who followed over a partly burned
bridge are said to have been practi-
cally annihilated, fifty survivors be-
ing taken prisoners.

This is only the beginning of the
great battle for Warsaw, from which
the Germans now are not more than
thirty miles distant. Field Marshal
von Hindenburg expects stern re-
sistance which the strongly rein-
forced Russian army is certain to of-
fer. They are protected by the Vis-
tula river, which the Germans have
been unable to cross.

The Russians are continuing op-
erations against East Prussia as
though the capital of Poland were
not threatened, and by counter at-
tacks are attempting to throw off
the Austro-German attacks in Gal-
icia. An Austrian sortie in force
from Przemyel, according to the
Russian official statement, has entire-
ly failed.

The offensive operations of the
allies in the west are being carried
out under conditions of siege war-
fare, and are being stubbornly op-
posed by the Germans, who in their
entrenchments and surrounded by
wire entanglements, make an ad-
vance of even a few yards very costly
for the attacking forces.

In Flanders the allies have gained
a little ground at considerable cost.
Along the coast the allies' warships
continually are bombarding the Ger-
man positions. The advance has been
more marked from the Belgian bor-
der south to the river Oise, where
the ground is not as wet as in the
flooded regions of Flanders.

HAMMACK SALE LATER

Postponed On Account of The
Snow and Cold
Weather.

The sale of the H. F. Hammack
farm near Pembroke, which was to
have taken place Friday, conducted
by the Burton Bros Realty Company,
was called off on account of the bad
weather.

This is only a postponement and
the sale will probably be held about
January 12. The decision to call the
sale off was not reached until after
the crowd had gathered at the Ham-
mack home. A fine barbequed dinner
was served and the Third regiment
band from the city was on hand and
gave a highly appreciated concert,
but owing to the unfavorable weath-
er it was thought best not to attempt
to hold a sale.

Further announcement will be
made of the new date.

Appeal Dismissed.

It is reported from Frankfort that
the case of the Hopkinsville Water
Co. vs. McLean College, from this
county, has been settled at appel-
lant's cost, on agreement filed and
the appeal dismissed.

formed the council at its last meet-
ing of his hopefulness of gaining a
victory, and while the court decided
against the city, Mr. Wilson stated
that preparations be made at once to
take the case back.

Along the Aisne and in the Cham-
pagne district the French artillery,
now probably stronger than the Ger-
man, has been keeping the Germans
on the move, but in the Argonne
region it is the Germans who are on
the offensive, and they claim a slight
advance.

The general opinion of military
men here is that some time must
elapse before the allies can expect to
make any very marked progress. Be-
sides being in fortified positions,
which could only be taken after hav-
ing been thoroughly searched out by
the artillery, the Germans still have
more machine guns than the allies,
and, as has been proved in pre-
vious battles, so long as they can be
successfully operated, make infantry
attacks too costly to be attempted.

The Serbian and Montenegrin arm-
ies again have joined hands after de-
feat of the Austrians who invaded
Serbia, and are now making their
second advance toward Sarajevo,
capital of Bosnia. The two armies,
with supplies replenished by cap-
tures, have formed a junction near
Vishegrad, which the Montenegrins
have occupied. They expect to be-
berore Sarajevo within three or four
days.

The first Boer rebel to pay the ex-
treme penalty was Captain Fourie,
a former officer in the union defense
force, executed at Pretoria yester-
day morning. This would seem
to indicate that any of the officers of
the union defense force who joined
the rebellion, especially the leaders,
will be severely dealt with.

German Ship Sunk.

It is officially announced at Petro-
grad, that the German armored
cruiser Friedrich Karl was sunk dur-
ing a recent sortie in the Baltic. Two
thirds of her crew of 557 are said to
have perished, less than two hun-
dred men having been saved.

MORE CHANGES IN PROSPECT

Council Still Had Trouble Over
The License Ordinance
Friday Night.

But little was done at the Council
meeting Friday night. No attempt
was made to give the amended li-
cense ordinance its second passage.
On the contrary, a new lot of pro-
testants appeared. The auto men
put up a strong objection to the
proposed license on automobile own-
ers. E. H. Higgins, Dr. J. H. Rice,
and Dr. J. G. Galther all had some-
thing to say. E. W. Glass also
appeared to enter objection to the
changes in the hack licenses, affect-
ing many colored people. Some of
the councilmen expressed themselves
as favoring more changes in the or-
dinance and an adjourned meeting
will be held to-night. The tobacco
license is apparently dead and it is
expected that the ordinance will be
re-considered and practically all
new features stricken out. The or-
dinance as it now stands is practi-
cally a re-enactment of the present
one, excepting as to the tobacco and
vehicle features. Mayor Yost an-
nounced that no slot machine priv-
ileges would be granted saloons an-
other year. Several of them have
been permitted to install slot ma-
chines this year.

A \$50,000 pearl and diamond neck-

CARNIVAL BIG SUCCESS

The High School Shows Cleared
More Than One Hundred
Dollars.

MISS MARGARET RIVES WINS.

Was Awarded Prize In The
Most Popular Lady
Contest.

The High School Carnival closed
Saturday night, having proven one
of the greatest successes ever at-
tained by the students of the High
School.

In spite of the inclement weather,
the building was thronged both Fri-
day and Saturday and the crowd was
delighted with the productions.
All the attraction were full of life
and ginger. The halls, rooms, booths
and shows were all attractively de-
corated and the whole high school
seemed to take on an aspect of mer-
riment.

The carnival ended with a bur-
lesque presentation of the Minstrel,
after which it was announced that
Miss Margaret Rives had won the
contest for the most popular young
lady. She was given the prize, a
handsome box of candy, which was
presented by G. N. Duffer.

It would be impossible to give due
praise to all the many elements which
tended to make the Carnival one of
the most brilliant achievements in
the history of the High School. It
suffices to say that in every way the
Fair was a great success.

A great deal of the credit is due to
Manager Wesley Dalton, who handled
the business of the Carnival with ex-
ceptional ability.

The Carnival was a great success
financially and from its proceeds the
Athletic Association will be entirely
freed of debt. The amount cleared
above expenses, was more than a
hundred dollars.

TRANSPLANTATION

Of Bone in Injured Limb Suc-
cessful.

Bud Averitt, col., who had one of
his legs broken about three months
ago, underwent a surgical operation
known as bone transplantation Fri-
day. The fractured bone of the in-
jured limb refused to knit and in
order to save the limb an operation
was necessary. A piece of bone
about two by six inches was re-
moved from the sound limb and
placed in the vacuum made by the
removal of the shattered bone.
Averitt stood the operation well
and is getting along nicely.

In Court of Appeals.

The following appeals of local in-
terest are docketed for the first week
in January:

Veale vs. Commonwealth, Callo-
way.
Barnett, Co. Att'y vs. Gilbert,
Treas. Calloway.
Troendle etc. vs. Rumley Pro-
ducts Co, Christian.
Van Hooser etc. vs. Atkinson etc.
Christian.
Garnett, etc. vs. Chiles, etc.
Joiner vs. Pryor, Trigg.

36 Years In Prison.

Mrs. Kate Cobb, of Norwich,
Conn., has just been pardoned out
of the penitentiary after serving 36
years for killing her husband in 1879.
Wesley Bishop's wife was also poison-
ed about the same time and separate
murders came out in the trials as
having been planned in order that
the two might marry. Bishop died
in prison two years ago. The old
woman has two living children.

Daviess County Patient.

Henry Strahl, a Daviess county
patient, died at the Western State
Hospital of interstitial nephritis.

GOOD FELLOWS XMAS TREE

Will Again Be Given To The
Poor Children at Hotel
Latham.

THE FUND IS NEARING \$200.

Each Dollar Represents One
Child Made Happy--Other
Charities.

The Good Fellows have succeeded
well in enlisting interest for the poor
and the club now numbers 200, each
having contributed a dollar.

The "Good Fellows Christmas
Tree" will be given at Hotel Latham
at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Ev-
ery dollar given adds another name,
as each donation contains \$1 worth
of presents. The principal solicitors
have been Lucian Harris, Ben Win-
free, C. H. Bleich and Ben Hill.
Lists are at various places, including
the Kentuckian office, and you can
still get your name in.

There will be music during the
time that the big red stockings are
being taken from the tree and dis-
tributed. Joe E. Moseley donated
the cedar tree to be used for the oc-
casion.

Tag Day To-day.

The Associated Charities will make
a tag-day campaign today to raise
funds, affording every one a chance
to buy a tag.

Every tag that is worn will be a
badge of honor.

It will mean that you are sorry
for the poor of the city and have
made a contribution to the fund that
will be used at Christmas to relieve
the suffering and bring cheer to their
humble homes.

Buy a tag today, and pay for it
according to the kindness of your
heart and the condition of your
pocketbook.

Elks and Other Orders.

The Elks and Odd Fellows as usual
will send out Christmas baskets and
other secret orders will do a similar
work on a smaller scale. Christmas
cheer will be taken to many homes.
The churches nearly all have their
charity lists and will make donations
of food and clothing to the poor.

"Big Brothers" Club.

The colored people have organ-
ized a "Big Brothers" club and are
raising funds to buy Christmas gifts
for the poorer colored children. Each
member of the club is contributing
50 cents. Phil Brown, E. G. Lamb
and others are leaders in the work.

Salvation Army Pots.

Envoy Vallier and Mrs. Vallier are
raising funds for the poor by two
big pots hanging at the intersection
of Main and Ninth streets. Big
signs call upon passers-by to "keep
the pot a boiling."

PARSONAGE MATTER

To Be Presented To Baptist
Church Wednesday Night.

At the prayer meeting service at
the Baptist church to-morrow night
the question of selling the present
parsonage and buying the Buck
place on South Main street will be
laid before the church. This matter
was up last February, but the propo-
sition was voted down. A number
of leading members who opposed the
purchase at that time are now favo-
rable to it and it is believed that
the deal will go through without
much opposition.

Shreveport Holds Record.

The total of illegal hangings in
Shreveport, La., in the last year
reached eight with the confirmation
of the reported lynching of Watkins
Lewis. Five of the victims have
been lynched in the last two weeks.